

HOUSE BILL No. 1172

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-22-1-11; IC 9-22-1-14.

Synopsis: Abandoned vehicles. Specifies that a police officer may enter upon private property to enforce statutes and ordinances concerning abandoned vehicles.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

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January 8, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2002 Regular or Special Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 9-22-1-11 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 11. An officer who
3 finds or is notified of a vehicle or parts believed to be abandoned shall
4 attach in a prominent place a notice tag containing the following
5 information:

6 (1) The date, time, officer's name, public agency, and address and
7 telephone number to contact for information.

8 (2) That the vehicle or parts are considered abandoned.

9 (3) That the vehicle or parts will be removed after seventy-two
10 (72) hours.

11 (4) That the person who owns the vehicle will be held responsible
12 for all costs incidental to the removal, storage, and disposal of the
13 vehicle.

14 (5) That the person who owns the vehicle may avoid costs by
15 removal of the vehicle or parts within seventy-two (72) hours.

16 **If necessary, the officer may enter upon private property to verify**
17 **the existence of the abandoned vehicle or to attach the notice tag.**



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1 SECTION 2. IC 9-22-1-14 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 14. **(a)** If in the opinion
3 of the officer the market value of the abandoned vehicle or parts
4 determined under section 12 of this chapter is at least:

5 (1) one hundred dollars (\$100); or

6 (2) in a municipality that has adopted an ordinance under section
7 13(b) of this chapter, the amount established by the ordinance;
8 the officer, before placing a notice tag on the vehicle or parts, shall
9 make a reasonable effort to ascertain the person who owns the vehicle
10 or parts or who may be in control of the vehicle or parts.

11 **(b)** After seventy-two (72) hours, the officer shall require the
12 vehicle or parts to be towed to a storage area.

13 **(c) If necessary, the officer may enter upon private property to**
14 **carry out this section.**

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